Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to recognize the meritorious endeavors of outstanding Show-Me State employees, a task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

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Whereas, Donna M. Knodell of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, will retire from her position as a District Supervisor with the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, on May 22, 2008, after an eighteen-year career in state government; and

Whereas, Donna Knodell is an outstanding individual who has faithfully performed her important duties and responsibilities with the utmost professionalism, conscientiousness, and fairness; and

Whereas, Donna Knodell is known, admired, and respected for her helpful attitude, warm smile, and friendly manner in which she has always greeted people in and around the community, a unique quality that will be greatly missed by her many co-workers; and

Whereas, Donna Knodell has also enjoyed recognition by serving as a counselor in the East Carter R-II School District for eleven years prior to assuming her responsibilities with the Department; and

Whereas, Donna Knodell will undoubtedly look back over the past several years and reminisce about her many worthwhile experiences and her special relationships with revered colleagues while basking in the glow of a successful career now at its end; and

Whereas, a member of the First Baptist Church of Poplar Bluff, Donna Knodell has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Joe Knodell; two children, Robert Knodell and Kristi Gilmorc; and two grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in expressing deep gratitude for the superb service that Donna Knodell has rendered to the Show-Me State during the past eighteen years and in wishing her ample opportunity to enjoy the better things life has to offer, with ample opportunity to travel and follow the St. Louis Cardinals; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Donna M. Knodell, as a measure of our esteem for her.

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Representative Gayle Kingery District No. 154

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3006, adopted May 13, 2008.